



St Oliver's Primary School

# Newsletter

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*At St Oliver's we are called to unite in service by living out our Mercy Values and striving to be quality learners who contribute positively to our community.*

Term 1, Week 11

<http://www.stoliversharrispark.catholic.edu.au/home>

11th April 2018

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### APRIL

**12th**  
Last day of Term 1 for the children

**13th**  
**STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY** -  
Staff will be onsite attending a  
Maths/Literacy forum.

**25th**  
ANZAC DAY - public holiday

**30th**  
Term 2 Week 1  
All students return.

### MAY

**1st**  
Diocesan Cross Country  
ANZAC Day liturgy

**3rd**  
Kindergarten excursion to  
Calmsley Farm  
Mother's Day wrapping

**4th**  
Stage 2 @ Parish Mass

**9th**  
Mother's Day Stall - please send money  
with your child to purchase a gift for  
Mother's Day.

**10th**  
Mother's Day Breakfast/Liturgy/Open  
classrooms

**11th**  
Mackillop Rugby League Trials  
Antonious and Mana attending

**15th - 16th - 17th**  
NAPLAN

**17th**  
Family Day from  
12:30pm



**Sunday, 8 Apr 2018: Second Sunday of Easter - (Divine Mercy Sunday)**

**Jn 20:19-31** A reading from the holy Gospel according to  
John

*After eight days, Jesus came in and stood among them.*

'You believe because you can see me.  
Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

**Literal Sense** - These final two verses of Sunday's gospel  
passage (Jn 20:30-31) read like the conclusion to the  
whole gospel. These verses pronounce what it means to  
have faith and what John wanted those who listen to  
understand.

**Spiritual Sense** - The gospel recognises that to believe in the resurrection without  
that physical, personal encounter with Jesus is to be celebrated even more. Happy  
are we – blessed are we – who have not seen and yet still believe!

**Application Sense** - The community is the body of Christ, we touch the wounds of  
Christ when we touch the wounds of the community, when we go out to the sick and  
those who are hurt. As shocking as these wounds may appear, they are really  
glorious, because the Risen Lord has identified with them and has made them his  
own.

### Anzac Day Liturgy

On **Tuesday, 1st May** school will have resumed. On this  
day we will celebrate and remember those who served in  
the armed services to protect our country.

At 10:45am we will join together in prayer and uphold the  
traditions of this service by playing the Last Post and  
having a moments silence.

***We will remember them***

May you all have a restful and liberating break as we continue to celebrate the risen  
Lord.





### *Prayer of the Week*

Dear God, Thank you for the food we eat. Thank you for my family and friends. Please help me to be a better person. I love you God, you are the best. Amen

**Anthony Sa, Kindy**



**Last day of Term 1  
for students  
Thursday, 12th April 2018**

**Staff Development Day  
Friday, 13th April 2018  
No classes for students**

**Students return to school  
Term 2  
Monday, 30th April 2018**

**Apology** : In last week's newsletter an invitation was included for our Mother's Day Celebrations. The day of our celebrations will be **Thursday, 10th May from 8am - 11am**. Sorry for any inconvenience.



**Principal's Morning Tea** - Congratulations to the following children who attended our Term 1 Principal's morning tea; Joann, Michaela, Xavier, Shana, Erik (away), Mary, Naomi, Anthony, Adya, Samuel, Shanon, Matthew D, Tsepiso, and Mia.

These children showed our Mercy Values throughout the Term.



**Winter Uniform** - Students can come dressed in their full summer or full winter uniform at the beginning of Term 2. Our official change over is **Monday, 14th May 2018**. Our uniform is available at Merrylands West School & Workwear Centre or Lowes at Parramatta. For more information contact the school office.



A great way to get the latest alerts and our school newsletter, install the skoolbag app on your phone. Download the app and search St Olivers Primary.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Family Day is a special time to celebrate and give thanks for families, especially our own family and all the families that make up our school family.

At St Oliver's we are celebrating Family Day on **Thursday 17th May**

- Family Day Liturgy 12:30pm
- Family Picnic 1:00pm
- Family Fun 'School Commonwealth Olympathon' 1:30pm (hosted by Year 6 PRC and students)
- Gold coin donation for **Catholic Care**

***Mum's, Grandma, Aunties of  
St Oliver's Students***

***are invited to our***



***Mother's Day Breakfast,  
Liturgy and Open Classrooms.***

***Thursday, 10th May 2018***

***From 8am - 11am***



# HIP HOPPING

from

## Bollywood to Brazil

12 - 17 years



## Ermington Library

Friday 20 April | \$3.00 | 11am - 12pm

<http://bit.ly/pclHipHopWorkshop>

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16 March 2018

*Friday of the Fourth Week of Lent*

Dear Students,

In May we celebrate International Family Day in every country in the world.

Here in our community we have families of every kind. Some families have a mum and dad and children living in the same house; some families have a mum or dad living with children. Some families have grandparents in Sydney while some grandparents live in another part of Australia or overseas. My mum lives in Melbourne. We all belong to a family somewhere.

Sometimes families need a bit of help. Grown-ups, teenagers and primary school children like you need someone to talk to, to help them when things get tough. Maybe the mum or dad has died or someone in the family is very sick, parents have broken up, or refugee families need help to settle in. In our community we have a group called CatholicCare who offer help to families.

Every year as part of our celebration of International Family Day, every school will have a fund-raiser and the money will be sent to CatholicCare to help them help our families.

If you want to know more about CatholicCare, you can log onto our website:  
<http://www.ccss.org.au/>.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

**Most Reverend Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv**  
**Bishop of Parramatta**

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